## CONVENTION SCHEDULE

## THURSDAY, MAY 2

**BOARD OF DIRECTORS MEETING** 

**EXECUTIVE** 

**CONFERENCE ROOM** 

4:00 PM **REGISTRATION OPENS** 

BALLROOM **FOYER** 

5:30 PM SOCIAL

**BALLROOM** 

6-8 PM PIZZA + MOVIE

> Sponsored by North Dakota News Cooperative. Storm Lake Documentary Screening with pizza and popcorn. Q&A with Tom Cullen, Storm Lake Times

8-10 PM

**BILLIARDS** ROOM

SOCIAL

## FRIDAY, MAY 3

7:30 AM REGISTRATION DESK OPENS

**BALLROOM** 

**BREAKFAST BUFFET &** 8:00 AM **SESSION PREVIEWS BALLROOM** 

8:30 AM SILENT AUCTION OPENS

**BALLROOM** 

**OPENING SESSION:** 9-10 AM

Annual Meeting/Digital Bylaws change

10:10-11 AM

CONCURRENT SESSIONS:

**CUTTY SARK** 

» Expand Your Reach

Learn how Coda Ventures' latest readership survey can be leveraged into local data to use for better sales; and how NDNA's digital offerings can expand your clients' reach.

**NAUTILUS** 

» Everything is A Story

How to make a story out of anything.

11:15 AM-

12 PM BETTER NEWSPAPER CONTEST

BALLROOM Advertising Awards

12:15-1:15 PM BALLROOM

**LUNCH & LATEST NEWS** Non-Profit news outlets update

1:30-2:30 PM

BETTER NEWSPAPER CONTEST

BALLROOM

» News/ Editorial Awards

» Photography Awards

» Photos of the Year

2:45-4 PM **BALLROOM**  CONCURRENT SESSIONS:

» Public Access: Oh, Yes I Can!

Hear from veteran journalists about run-ins with public agencies, how to get documents the public is entitled to, where to turn when you run into roadblocks; as well as navigating North Dakota's court system records.

**NAUTILUS** 

» Tech Tools for Ads & Lavout

Learn tips and tricks from a graphic design whiz and bring your latest tech solutions to

share with others.

4:30 PM **CUTTY SARK**  SOCIAL/WINNERS DISPLAY

5:30 PM

**MEET IN BALLROOM**  **ANNUAL GROUP PHOTO** 

6:15 PM

**BALLROOM** 

SILENT AUCTION CLOSES

6:30 PM

SPECIAL AWARDS BANQUET

**BALLROOM** » Keynote Speaker: Tom Cullen, one family's

road to a Pulitzer

» Introduction of new NDNA President

» 50 Year Club Recipients

» Silent Auction winners / Live Auction

» Better Newspaper Contest SPECIAL AWARDS:

» Rookie Reporter of the Year

» Public Notice Journalism Award

» Community Service Award

» First Amendment Award

» General Excellence Awards

» Sweepstakes Awards

8:30 PM ARCADE

**HOSPITALITY LOUNGE & "50/50 RAFFLE"** 

## SATURDAY, MAY 4

8:00 AM REGISTRATION DESK OPENS

**BALLROOM FOYER** 

**BREAKFAST BUFFET & ANNOUNCEMENTS** 9:00 AM

**BALLROOM** 

10:30 AM **EVENT TBD**